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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination,  
please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claims for corresponding claims previously  
presented. A copy of the amended claims showing current revisions is attached.

8. (Amended) A method according to claim 5 wherein a test compound which inhibits CBP  
acetyltransferase activity is further tested for ability to affect ability of Impor  
tin  $\alpha$  to (i) bind Importin  $\beta$ , (ii) translocate into the nucleus, and/or (iii) import a cargo protein.